Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph at page 4, lines 2-15 with the following amended paragraph:

> As illustrated in FIG. 1, a series of cellulosic fiberboard panels 10 are being reinforced in a manner contemplated by this invention, while such panels 10 are being conveyed by a conveyor C from a fiberboard-making machine, such as a Fourdrinier machine, which is not illustrated. Each panel 10 has two expansive surfaces 12, two longitudinal edges 14, and two transverse edges 16, each expansive surface 12 having four corners 18 and each expansive surface 12 having an overall area. Each panel 10 is reinforced by reinforcing bands of a cementitious material, which is applied by spraying a slurry containing the cementitious material onto a given one of the expansive surfaces 12 of said panel 10 and by allowing the cementitious material to cure. The cementitious material may be one of the cementitious materials disclosed in those prior patents identified hereinbefore, the disclosures of which patents are incorporated herein by reference. Presently, the cementitious material containing an inorganic binder enveloping particles as disclosed in U.S. Pat. No. 5,846,894 is preferred.